

Incident Report

BLOOMINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT
1800 W OLD SHAKOPEE RD
BLOOMINGTON, MINNESOTA 55431
(952) 563-4900

Incident Number: BP07-006214

Incident Summary

Incident Type: NON-CRIMINAL INCIDENT
Inc Occurred Address: 315 EAST BROADWAY BLOOMINGTON, MN 55425
Inc Occurred Start: 06/02/2007 19:34 Inc Occurred End: 06/02/2007 19:34
Domestic: N Bias Motivation: Gang Related: U
Contact Nature: Reported Date/Time: 06/02/2007 19:34
Reporting Officer: BOHRER, TODD Primary Assigned Officer:
Case Status: Disposition: PENDING/OPEN Disposition Date: 06/02/2007 19:34
Report Type: OTHER
Sector/Beat: 1/BP56
Report Taken:
Substance: U

Offenses

Statute Code: SUSACT Enhancers:
Statute Desc: SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY
Counts: 1 Statute Severity:

Officers

Event Association	Emp#	Badge#	Name	Squad#
Primary Responding Officer	229	229	BOHRER, TODD	

Persons Involved

Person#: 0001 MNI: 57732233 Can ID Suspect: No
Event Association: SUBJECT Contact Date/Time:
Name: [REDACTED]
DOB: [REDACTED] Age: 45 - 45 Sex: MALE Race: WHITE
Height: Weight: Eye Color: Hair Color:
Address: [REDACTED] ST LOUIS PARK, MINNESOTA 55416 Sector/Beat: /SL41
Phone Type 1: CELL Phone# 1: [REDACTED] Ext 1:
Phone Type 2: WORK Phone# 2: [REDACTED] Ext 2:
Occupation: Employer/School:

Narratives

Entered Date/Time: 06/04/2007 06:27 Narrative Type: SYNOPSIS
Subject: SYNOPSIS Author: BOHRER, TODD

Suspicious person.

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Entered Date/Time: 06/04/2007 06:28
Subject: SUSPICIOUS PERSON

Narrative Type: MAIN REPORT
Author: BOHRER, TODD

On 6-2-07 MOA Security Officers Foster and Miles requested Bloomington Police Department assistance on a suspicious male on level 3 East at Mall of America.

They had stopped a subject for taking pictures of Miles who was working as uniformed security.

When Foster asked if she could see the subject's identification he refused.

I approached the subject and explained the situation.

He willingly provided me with a Colorado driver's license that identified him as [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] originally told me that he had not been taking any pictures.

When asked, he gave his camera to me.

There was only one picture in his memory.

I could not tell what the photo captured but he told me it was of a people conveyer at a concourse in the Denver airport.

After he pointed that out I could then see that it was what he described.

Miles had told me that he saw the shudder close when [REDACTED] took his photo.

I spoke with [REDACTED] further and he later told me that he had been out at Mall of America taking photos.

He explained that he was a Psychologist and interested in photography.

He told me that he liked to photograph scenes of people interacting.

[REDACTED] showed me that his camera had a second storage device where 43 images were stored.

There were four images that contained uniformed Mall of America security personnel, two were of Miles.

[REDACTED] explained that he like to photograph uniforms because of the authority they depicted.

The rest of the images were of people sitting on benches, eating at the food courts or just shopping.

I did not see any images that seemed concerning regarding security.

While I viewed the photos [REDACTED] pointed out and explained the object of the pictures and why he took each one.

He agreed that his behavior would seem suspicious given the fact that he was taking the photos from his hip rather than holding the camera up to his face.

He said that he wanted to capture people in their natural state and not let them know they were being photographed.

[REDACTED] told me that he was born in Germany but is a US citizen.

He is now living in Minnesota at [REDACTED] in St. Louis Park.

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He told me that he has a company based in Minneapolis called [REDACTED] and provided me with a business card.

After speaking with [REDACTED] I did not doubt the information he provided to me or his explanation as to why he was taking the photographs.

He told me that he originally lied to me about taking the photos because he considered them his personal property that he should not have to share.

He said that he eventually admitted to taking the photos because he had trusted me and that he did not have anything to hide.

[REDACTED] was satisfied with my explanation for the reason we had contact with him.

I provided Mall of America Security Officer Foster with all the information I gathered.

Her report is attached.

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Signatures

Reporting Officer

Date

Supervisor

Date